

REMARKS

Amendments

Amendments to the Claims

Applicant has amended the independent claims to more particularly point out what Applicant regards as the invention. The invention claimed in the amended claims modifies a user's previously created play sequence (e.g., a video play sequence) if a different selection is input. No new matter has been added as a result of these amendments as they are supported in Figure 5 and at paragraph 58 *et seq.*

Rejections

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e)

Claims 1-38

Claims 1-38 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent #6,160,570 to Sitnik. Applicant believes the Examiner meant to reject the claims under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a) because Sitnik issued before Applicant's effective filing date.

Sitnik discloses creating a play sequence using video segments selected according to a user profile. The user cannot modify the play sequence once it is created.

In contrast, Applicant's invention as claimed in amended claims 1-38 modifies a user-created play sequence if further selection input is received from the user in response to presenting the user-created play sequence to the user.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that the invention claimed in claims 1-38 is not anticipated by Sitnik under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) and respectfully requests the withdrawal of the rejection of the claims.

SUMMARY

Claims 1-38 are currently pending. In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, Applicant respectfully submits that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of the application and allowance of the pending claims.

If the Examiner determines the prompt allowance of these claims could be facilitated by a telephone conference, the Examiner is invited to contact Sue Holloway at (408) 720-8300 x309.

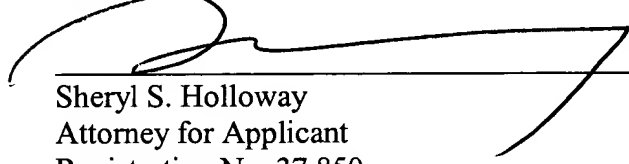
Deposit Account Authorization

Authorization is hereby given to charge our Deposit Account No. 02-2666 for any charges that may be due. Furthermore, if an extension is required, then Applicant hereby requests such extension.

Respectfully submitted,

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